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An Abridgement of the Laws of Virginia.

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COUNTY CLERK'S FEES.

For an accon,	8	For a petition if he write it,	10
For ent ^r order,	8	For entering a pet.,	3
For copy order,	8	For a certificat for land,	20
For ex ⁿ ,	15	For any other certificate,	10
For attachm ^t ,	15	For recv rd any other busi-	
For deposition 10 & copy,	10	ness, Orphens excepted	20
For administration & pro-		For Rec ^d Inventory &	
bat,	60	Convey.,	30
For a Subp ^a ,	10	For a Scire facias,	10
And if any thing else the Court to adjudge the Fee.			

SHERIFF'S FEES.

For an arr.,	10	For serving Ex ⁿ under 100,	10
For For a bond,	15	if above to 500,	20
For going to prison,	10	if above 500 to 1,000,	40
For whipping,	20	For every M above 2,000,	10
		For Sum. Jury & pan ⁿ for	
For pillory,	20	every cause,	12
For serving a Subp ^a ,	10	Fr every person Sumon ^d ,	5

Attachm^{ts} as for arr. & if further Trouble to be allowed by ye Court, for Sumons every appraiser, 10; & ye appraiser to have per day, 30.

FEES.

CLERK OF YE ASSEMBLY.

For an order & copy of Aud^r, 20. For Cop: y^e acts of an Assem^{bl}, 300. All ye rest are out of use.

Act 5 1664. An act concerning ye Regulateing ye Sactetary office.

No person to have a view of ye Record but upon pub. ord^r except ye clerk of ye office, but any may wth ye clk. wⁿ he makes y^e Search for wth shalbe pd. 1^s or 10^{lb} Tobo. besides ye cops. & half so much to ye County Clk.

Act 4 1669. an act for ye fees of a Dedimus potestatem from ye Gen^l Court, 50; County Court, 25.

Act 6 1672. An act concerning Sherr. Fees for arrests.

That y^e fee for an arr. be to ye bond 5 & not any thing for comitt^m or release^m unless ye person be actually put in prison.

Act 5 1677. An act ascertaining ye price of double pattⁿ.

En. yt ye fee for such be 80^{lb} tob. for Every Tract Contained in y^e pattent but wⁿ old patented Lands are drawn into one pattent wthout new no more yⁿ 80 for yt.

Act 10 1677. An act ascertaining Coroners fees.

En. yt y^e fee be 13^s 4^d or 133^{lb} tob. to be paid out of ye estate of y^e deceased & if none by y^e County & where there is no Coron^r any Justice to do y^e office.

Act 16 1680. Additional fees ascertained to County Court Clerks.

For writing a pr. of Indentures, 40; for a bonnd, 10; for a Retraxit, 4; for fileing & indorseing bill, &c., 3; for all answers to peticons if writ by themselves, 10; if not, 5; & so for peticons; for a warrt. by comand of Court or Justice, 10.

For a chancery bill if written in y^e way of other usual * * exceed not one side of a Sheet of paper, 20; if more every side, 10. Rec^d ye panⁿ of Jury & oath, 10. Ret. & Rec^d ex^m, 10. Ret & Record attachm^t, 10.

For Inventories & apprais^m & outcries if ye clk. be not agreed with ye Court to allow.

For ret. administration & prob ^t ,	40	For bill costs,	3
For procure ye Signing y ^m , 10		For private Cor ^r attend- ance,	200
For pub. anything at cor ^t - house if writt by y ^m - selves,	5		
For ackn ^e Lands & Recor. copy,	25	For reting. Dower & record,	20
For att. Dedimus & ret, to ye office,	100	For a care at 5 For ent. & record Refferance, .	5
For ret. appeals & Secur- ity,	30	For quietus & Recor., .	25
		For recor. issueing attach ^m , .	3

And w^hsoever clk. shall take more y^a by law established Shall forfeit for every pound ten to y^e party overcharged.

FENCES.

Pr. La. 77 Ent. when fences shalbe Lawfull or sufficient.

En. Fences shalbe sufficient about Clear'd grounds $4\frac{1}{2}$ foot high or ye damages done by hoggs, Goats or chattle shalbe to ye plant^r own loss & if ye planter by hunting horses, &c., shall hurt any of them unless he have such a fence, he shall make satisfaction to ye own^r & if they be so hurt as to dy ye owner of ye ground shall pay y^e vallue double to ye owner of ye horse, &c., and where Fence is sufficient $4\frac{1}{2}$ foot & so found by two honest men appointed by a com^r, ye owner of ye horses, &c., shall make satisfaction for ye damage.

Act 17 1666. An act Including Sheep in ye 77 act printed Laws. This act comprehends Sheep & makes y^m Equall Liable wth other creatures.

Act 2. An act concerning Fences.

Owners of unruly horses shall keep y^m up from ye 20th of July to ye last of Octob^r yearly & if ye fence be $4\frac{1}{2}$ foot high & a horse break into a cornfield ye owner upon proof of ye damage shall pay for ye first trespass single damages & for Every Trespass afterwards double damages to ye party grieved.

A ffence shalbe deemed sufficient where nothing mencon^d in 77 Act pr. La. can creep through.

FINES.

Act 9 1663. An act for ye $\frac{1}{2}$ of all fines to be p^d to ye Informer. The Title speaks ye substance.

FLAX.

Act 13 1691 Ent. an act Enjoyning ye Planting & dressing of flax & hemp.

Every Tithable is by this act to make a pound of Flax & a pound of hemp every year or two pound of each drest und^r ye penalty 60^{lb} tob pr. \mathcal{L} for omitting & for y^e discovery of every

Titha. shall cary his flax or hemp so made to a Magestrate and make oath or sufficient proof yt it is of his own growth of wth he shall have a Certificate to produce to ye next Court & who ever neglect yt shalbe Judged a breaker of the act, $\frac{1}{3}$ of ye fine to ye King & queen & $\frac{1}{3}$ to ye Informer & $\frac{1}{3}$ to ye County & ye act to continue 3 years after the last of October next.

Pr. La. 100 Ent. ag^t Fornication.

A man or woman Comiting Fornication upon proof by confession or evidence shall pay 500^{lb} tob^o to ye use of ye parish & be bound to good behaviour & if either be serv^t & ye Master will not pay y^e 500^{lb} tob^o, for wth he shall have $\frac{1}{2}$ years Service if he do, yⁿ ye serv^t to be whiped & if a basterd be gott ye woman serv^ts shall serve 2 years for ye loss & Trouble of her Master & pay 2,000^{lb} tob. besides ye fine & ye reputed Father put in Security to keep ye child.

Act 6 1662. An act concerning women Serv^t gott wth child by their Masters.

Such Woman Serv^t Shall after by her time by Indenture or Custum be sold by Churchwardens of ye parish where she was brought to bed for two years & ye toba. Employed to ye use of y^e parish.

Act 12 1662 Ent. An act for Mullatto Children being bound or free according to ye Condition of ye Mother. Part of this act is yt if any Xtian Shall Comitt fornication wth a negro man or woman he or she so offending shall pay double fines Imposed on fornicacon by ye 100 Act pr. La.

Act 11 1692 Ent. an act for ye more effectuall Suppressing y^e Severⁿ offences of Swearing, Cursing, prophaining God's holy name, Saboath breaking, Drunkenness, Fornication and Adultery.

By this act whoso is Convicted of Swearing, &c., by Confession or two wittnesses shall pay one shilling for every Offence. And whoso ever Shall Travill on ye Sabboath day or other wayes prophain it & be Convicted afores^d shall pay & whosoever shalbe convicted of drunkenness as afore^d shall pay 10^s & if ye offenders in all ye afore^d crims be not able to pay they shalbe put in y^e Stocks 3 howers and whosoever Shalbe Convicted of Fornicacon as affores^d Shall pay ten pound Sterl. & for Audultry £20 Sterling, & if they be not able they have 30 lashes or 3 months Im-prison^{mt} & it is further En. yt where there is violent Suspicion

of two liveing leudly together yt every person Entertaining a woman or Frequenting her comp^a after pub. admonition to avoyd y^e same by y^e minister & vestry or if no minister, churchwarden & vestry, for Every time it shalbe proved he hath been in her Comp^a Shall as if he had been Convicted of Audultery & ye woman ye like ye Grandjury to present Such Offenders, ye forfeitures to be devided into 3 parts, 1 to repairing ye Church or Chapell, 1 to ye Maintaince of ye Minister & ye other to y^e Informer.

Act 16 1691 Ent. An act for suppressing outlying slaves. P^r of this act is That if any English Woman being Free have a bastard by a negro shall pay £15 wthin a month to ye Churchwardens & for failing be disposed of for 5 years, ye fine or wht. she shalbe sold for disposed $\frac{1}{3}$ to their Maj^{ties}, $\frac{1}{3}$ to ye p^rish & $\frac{1}{3}$ to ye Informer, & ye Child bound out by y^e Church ward^{ns} for 30 years & in case ye woman be a serv^t She shalbe sold for 5 years after her time is Expired.

HIGH WAYES.

Pr. La. 79 Ent. Survey^{rs} for highways.

That Justices yearly in october Court appoint such who shall lay out conv^t waies to church, Court, Jamestown & from County to County 40 foot broad and bridges where Occasion & being so made shall keep y^m in Repair. The Vestries upon ye desire of y^e Survey^{rs} are to order y^m help necessary from every one According to his Tithables.

And if the Court fail Survey^{rs} Vestries & people in their Respective duties to be fined five hund^d lb to ye use of ye County & if any one fall Trees + ye waies & do not forthwth clear y^m or do Inclose y^e waies with a fence y^e grandjury shall p^rsent y^e Same as a Comon Nuisance, y^e Inclosure opened & y^e offender fined 1,000lb tob. to y^e use of y^e county & where a Creek or Swamp part 2 Counties those Counties Shall contribute to a bridge.

Act 4 1667 Ent. An act for Roads to houses.

Every person haveing a plantacon Shall in a Conv^t place make a Gate for man & horse to pass.

Act 15 1680 Ent. an act for ye well clearing y^e heads of y^e Rivers from Logs & trees for ye more Safe passing of Sloops & boats.

En. y^t y^e Justices of y^e County Courts annually in June or July order y^e Survey^r to clear ye Rivers & creeks w^{ch} shalbe done under ye penaltys 79 act pr. La. for delinquency & he y^t fall Trees & cleers them not for ye first offence 500th tob., 2^d 1,000 to ye use of ye County.

HOGS.

Pr. La. 125 Ent. ag^t steeling hogs.

Hee y^t shalbe convicted of steeling or unlawfully killing a hogg Shall pay to y^e owner 1,000th tob^o & to ye Informer 1,000 more, & if not able, to serve two years, 1 to ye first & ye other to y^e Latter, & he shalbe adjudged, an hogg stealer yt brings home an hogg w^{thout} Ears & he yt Receives such hog w^{thout} Immediately discovering it to ye next Com^r shalbe deemed an actor in y^e Trespass & y^e owner Informing shall have both y^e fines.

Act ye 5 1665. An act concerning y^e Intent of some former penalties.

En. yt w^a sever^l persons are concerned in stealing hogs, boats or ye like, Every p^{ticular} offender may be singly prose^ted for ye whole fine.

Pr. La. 118. ag^t private taking away of Boats.

En. y^t y^e County Court shall in such case award 500th tobo. & what damage ye boate or Canoe sustains.

Act 4 1674 Ent. an act comanding such Indians who keep hogs to marke y^e same.

En. y^t Indian proof shalbe good ag^t Indians in hogstealing & y^e Indian Town y^t keeps hogs shall give such marks as y^e Adjacent Counties shall appoint.

Act 2 1679 Ent. an additionall act for y^e better preventing y^e stealing of hoggs.

En. for ye first offence be 2,000th tob^o, for ye 2^d offence y^e party to stand two howers in ye pillory & have both his ears nailed & after ye time is out, cut loose from y^e Nayles to be In-

flicted by any County Court & for ye 3^d offence to be Tryed as in Felony.

Act 2 1693. An act concerning Indian hoggs.

En. yt Surry County Court assign a p'ticular marke for y^e hogs of ye Notoway & Weyanoaks; & an English man haveing pork of an Indian shall prove it to be of yt Indian Town Mark or forfeit 1,000^{lb} Tob^o, $\frac{1}{2}$ to their Maj^{ties}, $\frac{1}{2}$ to ye Informer.

HORSES.

Pr. La. 113 Ent. Stray horses.

Whoso takes up a horse, stray Cattle or Boate adrift shall Cause horses & Cattle w^h mark, colour & Stature & boat w^h proportion & w^h was found in her to be cryed publickly in Churches & Chapells of ye County w^hin a month & if no owner appear yⁿ at Court it shalbe Lawfull to make use of them till ye owner appear who shall pay 100^{lb} Tobo.

Act 2 1669 Ent. an act ag^t y^e Importcon of horses & mairs.

Whosoever Import horse or mair from Anoth^r Governm^t y^e Sherr. of ye County where they are Imported shall make seizure of them for ye use of ye Public & Render an Acco^t to y^e Assembly, y^e Informer to have half vallue.

Act 10 1691. An act to prevent horses Running at large & barking fruit trees.

En. yt ye owners of horses, mairs or Colts are notoriously known to be barkers of fruit trees shall keep them w^hin a fence for if they run at large & be taken y^e owner shall pay to y^e person delivering y^m upon proof by his own oath & another Evidence 100^{lb} toba. & if they break into an orchard et^c & do spoil y^e owner shall pay to ye party Injured for y^e 1st Trespass 200^{lb} & y^e 2^d 400 & for ye 3^d ye horse may be killed y^e fence being 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ foot high.

IMPOSITIONS.

Act 3^d 1680 Ent. an act for ye Raising a pub. Revinue for y^e better Support of this his Maj^{ties} Colony of Virg^a. For every hhd. tobo. & every 500 bulk Exported by land or water shalbe

paid 2^d & every Ship Coming heither Shall pay for Every Tun $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of powder or 3 lb shott or 15^d in lieu & 6^d for every person Imported not being a Marriner, ye same to be to ye king for y^e Support of ye Governm^t, ye Master of Every Ship shall deliver his boat Swaines book to ye Collector & Sware to ye truth.

And if he shall willingly or wittingly conceale any part of his freight or make false entry of y^e burthen of his vessell or number of persons Imported he shall forfeit 100^l sterl. & Treble duties for every hh^d 500^{lb} bulk or Tun Concealed, $\frac{1}{2}$ to Inform^r $\frac{1}{2}$ to King, & every Master of a vessell shall Enter into a bond of 20^l sterl. to ye King, &c., for ye pay^{m^t} of y^e duty of so many hhd. or 500^{lb} tob. as shall appear to be enter'd in England more y^a in Virg^a, bond to be voyd if not put in Ex^{on} wthin a year & to be made wthout fee Collect^r Sallary as y^e Gov^r wth y^e advice of y^e Council shall adjudge necessary & an allowance not exceeding 10 pr. ct. to such master as give true ans^r & pay down the duties by money or exchange.

All former acts for y^e raising of 2^d p^r hhd. castle duties, Tunage or headmoney Repealed by this act, but y^e 134 act pr. La. & another act concerning y^e previledges of Virg^a owners to be in full force.

Act 4 1693 Ent. an act laying an Imposition upon skins & furs for ye better Suport of y^e Colledge of W^m & Mary in Virg^a.

By this act ye duties are upon skins, &c., exported by land or water.

	d.		d.		d.
Rawhide, . . .	3	Undrest doe, $0\frac{3}{4}$	Fox Skin, . . .	$1\frac{1}{2}$	
Tanned hide, . .	6	Bever p ^r lb, 3	Doz. Racoon skins, 3		
Drest Buck skins, $\frac{1}{4}$	Otter skin, . 2	Doz. Muskrat skins, 2			
Undrest " . . .	1	Wildcat skin $1\frac{1}{2}$	Elk skin, . . .	$4\frac{1}{2}$	
Drest doe skin, $1\frac{1}{2}$	Mink skin, . 1				

These duties to be paid before y^e goods are shipt off to y^e Collector under penalty of forfeiture, $\frac{1}{2}$ to their Majesties $\frac{1}{2}$ to ye Informer. The collector to acco^t to y^e Govern^r of ye Colledge or their deputies for y^e duties & to have 10 p^r c^t for their Trouble.

IMPRESSES.

Act 8 1667. An Act restraining y^e Impresse of Timber.

En. y^e no one under pretence of a warr^t to Impresse Timb^r for pub. use, &c., shall Impresse any Timber from any man's land before Composition wth ye Owner for ye price & pay^{mt} or causion for pay^{mt} of y^e same upon penalty of paying for each Timber Tree 5*℥* sterl., but if ye owner be unreasonable in y^e price it shalbe Lawfull to procure a valluacon by 2 men upon oath & it is further Enacted that none shall Impresse Sloop, Shallop, boat or vessell, horses, cart, arms, provisions, goods or merch'dizes without sufficient warr^t & y^e warr^t to be shewed, & whosoever shall have power to Impresse such shall have power likewise to cause two men of y^e neighbourhood to appraise such vessell & to ascertain y^e vallue of y^e hire P^r y^e day or month & y^e writeing be drawn signifying y^e hire p^r day or month, one to remain wth y^e appraisers & ye other wth ye owner, &c., & ye owner to bring such writing to y^e next County Court where if y^e sloop were imprest for y^e use of y^e Co^y then to be p^d out of ye County Levy, but for ye use of y^e pub. y^e ye County Court is to return Certificate of such writeing to ye next assembly for Satisfaccon.

And if such slaves, &c., shalbe cast away or lost ye owner shall have his choyce of y^e wages or y^e vallue of y^e thing according to y^e appraisem^t, & if there be occasion to Impress provisions y^e Impresser shall have two men to appraise y^e same & Returne a note certifying y^e quantity & price to y^e next Co^y Court to be paid for as y^e case is by ye County or Assembly according to y^e apprais^{mt}, and where a man is Imprest he shall be paid, if betwixt of 7^{br} & ye 10 of March, 10^{lb} Tob. pr. day, & if betwixt y^e 10th of March & y^e 10th of Sept^r 18^{lb} Tob. pr. day for y^e first 10 daies & for all time above 10, between 7^{br} & March, 20^{lb} tob^o pr. month & betwixt March & 7^{br} 30^{lb} tobo. pr. month, & for a horse imprest y^e owner shall have 15^{lb} tobo. p^r day for y^e first 20 daies, & after 10^{lb} tobo. p^r day, & before ye impresser shall take the horses two of ye neibours shall appraise y^m & a writing of y^e vallue shalbe signed & ye owner shalbe p^d if ye horse be lost by y^e County or Country as ye case is, either according to y^e appraisem^t or wages due, & if any one contrary to

this law impresse & carry away any of the afore^d particulars he shalbe fined double y^e vallue to y^e use of y^e owner, to be recovered by accon of Trespass in any court of Judicature.

INDIANS.

P^r La. 136 Ent. an act concerning y^e Indians.

No Indian King or other shall for any consideracon sell & whoso shall take Indian goods shalbe punished as if done y^e same from an English man & whoso shall incroach upon y^e Indian's Lands shalbe Removed by y^e Sherr. & his houses built there burnt. None shall Imprison an Indian King wthout warr^t from y^e Govern^r & two of y^e Councill.

Whoso shall kill, wound or Maim an Indian shall suffer as if he had done it to an Englishman, & if an Indian wthout Leave of his King by inveghling of y^e English or of his own accord be harboured by an Englishman whoso shall take him & carry him to his Town shall recover of him y^t harboured him as for Entertaining of Runawaies. No person shall Entertain a neighbour Indian but by lycense from y^e Govern^r & be answerable for all y^e Injury y^e Indian shall do. All y^e Rest of this act seems to be repealed or out of practice.

Act 8 1665 Ent. an act concerning y^e Indians.

En. That where y^e Indians comit any murder upon ye English y^e next Town to use there utmost Endeavours to discover y^e actors & shalbe answerable for it. The Indians prohibited to choose their own Werowance, y^e Gover^r to appoint him & if y^e Indians Refuse obedience or murder him they shalbe accounted Rebels. whoso shall harbor or imploy an Indian shalbe fined 5,000^{lb} tobo. or suffer a years Imprisonm^t, unless upon security Given to ye County Court & a certificate from y^m he obtained y^e Gover^r^s License.

Southern branches of Blackwater are declared to be from y^e head of those branches to y^e p^sent apomatuck Indian Town & thence crosse y^e river by a Continued line to y^e Manakin Town.

Act 14 1680 Ent. an act revising & reinforcing an act made at James City 20th 8^{br}, 1665, & puting y^e same in due Ex^{on}.

By this the s^d act is revised & Reinforced.

Act 9 1691 Ent. an act for a free Trade wth Indians.

All former acts & clauses Restraining Trade wth Indians by this act are Repealed & a free Trade for all persons wth all Indians at all times & further it is enacted y^t none shall go hunting Remote from ye plantacons w^{thout} ye Govern^r License & under such Restriconns as Gover^r & council shall think fitt.

LANDS.

Act 2 1692 Ent. An act for confirmacon of Lands.

En. yt where a new tract hath been taken up & added to seated pattent ye shalbe seated to save it wthin 3 years after y^r date of this act unless it hath been seated before, but w^h shalbe taken up hereafter shalbe seated within 3 years.

Lands overplus wthin ye bounds being found excepted & Marshes & sunken grounds paying their Maj^{ties} quitrents for y^m.

Act 14 1691. An act for ye alteracon of ye time for ye processioning of Land.

That ye time be between y^e last of Sept^r & ye last of March.

Pr. La. 68 Ent. Rights of Lands.

all persons claiming land by Importacon shall prove their Rights before y^e Gover^{or} & Council or produce Certificates to y^e Secretaries office.

Pr. La. 69 Ent. deserted lands.

whoso would pattent deserted Lands shall prove before y^r Gen^l Co^t that it was not planted in 3 years & have order from y^m for it & ye first petition^r producing rights shall not be denied.

Pr. La. 70 Ent. Seating upon other Devidents.

if any happen unwarily to build upon another stand y^e Charg of it Shalbe vallued by 12 men & y^t Refunded by ye owner to ye Seator, but if y^e owner be unwilling y^a y^e s^d men shall vallue Worth of y^e Land before Seating, w^{ch} ye seator shall pay to ye owner for it, provided no consideracon be allowed to him y^t after warning shall obstinately build or cleer.

Pr. La. 71 Ent. not to Shoot or Rang upon other men's land.

Whoso shall hunt or Shoot upon another's Dividend w^{thout} Leave shall for Every such Trespass pay 400 lb tob^o to y^e proprietor, $\frac{1}{2}$ to ye pub. uses, but if ye land be not seated tho' taken up it shall be lawfull & also to pursue & fetch off game

Shot without y^e limit, & to seek cattle or hogs, giveing notice first to ye owner of his Intent & time he designes to stay.

Provided allwaies y^t ye Govern^r may Commissionate some Gent to give license to persons to hunt wild hogs upon any Man's Land wthout their fenced plantacons.


Pr. La. 72 Ent. Lands 5 years in possession.

Whosoever pretends title to Land shall prosecute his claim before it hath been peaceably enjoyed 5 years, this extends to all such as have not prosecuted their title wthin 5 years since y^e 6th 8^{br}, 1646, provided yt this Limitacon barr not orphants, feme Coverts, persons out of ye Country or insane, but yt y^e orphants have 5 years after he be at age, woman 5 years after free from coverture, viz: if she marry againe before y^e 5 years expire & become a widow to yt husband, after his death she shall make it up 5 years, insane 5 years after Recovery, persons out of y^e Country 5 years after arrival provided they come wthin 2 years after their title become due to y^e Land.

Pr. La. 76. Lands to be plainly marked and bounded.

Survey^{rs} prohibited to give a plot of a survey untill 6 months after survey & ordered to marke y^e bounds plainly und^r penalty of 50 lb tobo. for Every 100 acres to ye use of Country.

Pr. La. 78 Ent. bounds of Lands to be every 4 years renewed by ye view of y^e neibourhood.

That within 12 months after y^e act y^e Inhabitants of every neck of Land shall goe in procession & so y^e marked Trees of Every man's Land & so every four years once & bounds being by y^e consent of y^e proprietor thus settled shall stand ag^t him & all claiming under him & if defferance be such y^t it cannot be by y^e neibourhood desided yⁿ 2 honest able survey^{rs} shall in y^e presence of y^e neibourhood lay out y^e land in Controversy & y^t shalbe y^e settled bounds after, & he y^t causes y^e defferance shall pay y^e charg of y^e survey & for this End y^e courts are to order y^e vestryes to divide y^e parishes into precints & to appoint daies  between Easter & Whit Sunday to go y^e procession & if y^e court fail to do this they shalbe fined 10,000 tob^o, & if y^e vestry fail fined 1,200, & every person failing to go upon y^e day 350.

Act 2 1664 Ent. an act for frontiers to be seated wth 4 able hands.

None here after to seat frontiers without 4 hands armed such

as already have pattented land to have 7 years to seat & to strengthen each plantacon wth y^e afores^d number of hands or else to desert ye land.

Act 20 1666 Ent. an act declaring w^t is meant by seating of Lands.

Declared y^t building an house & Keeping a Stock one whole year upon y^e Land shalbe acco^{ted} Seating and y^t clearing, planting & tending an acre of ground for one year shalbe accounted planting & y^t Either of these p^rformees y^e condition of ye pattent.

Act 21 1666 Ent. an act concerning Imperfect pattents. En. for preservacon of all present Titles & avoyding future trouble y^t all Lands held by former pattents of wth there is no Record extant or to wth there is no Rights anexed in y^e Records untill this assembly shalbe valied.

En. That hereafter no pattent passe y^e office before y^e rights are Entered & compared.

Act 6 1665 Ent. an act Concerning bounding of Counties & parishes.

En. y^t y^e Law y^t binds us to y^e bounding of our Lands be in force to y^e bounding of our counties & parishes.

Entered Act 9 1672 Ent. an act concerning swamps & marshes.

En. y^t no man shall take up Marsh, Swamp or Sunken Land adjoining to any man's Land wthout first giving notice to ye owner of ye Land & if he refuse wthin a yeare & to take up y^e marsh it shalbe then Lawful for him y^t gave notice to pattent it.

Act 3 1673 Ent. an act for y^e better puting in to Ex^{ra} y^e Act for processions.

En. y^t orphan's Lands be comprised in y^e processionall & in case diffarence concerning y^e bounds yⁿ ye orphan's Land to be laid out by 2 Survey^rs in presence of ye neibourhood & 2 men appointed by y^e county court in behalf of y^e Orphens & y^e charg born, viz: ye orphan to pay one half of y^e Survey of his own Land and y^e owner of y^e adjacent y^e other half & y^e whole charg of Surveying his own Land.

Act ye 5 1674 Ent. An act Impowering feme covert to make good acknowledgm^t of Sales of Land.

En. y^t all sales of acknowledgm^t y^t have been or shalbe made by husband & wife shalbe good to all intents, &c., as if they had been done by fine or recovery or otherwise.

LETTERS.

Pr. La. 90. Publick Letters, how to be conveyed.

All Letters subscribed for y^e use of his Maj^{ties} or publick shalbe conveyed from plantacon to plantacon to y^e place directed under penalty of 350^{lb} tobo. pr. defalt & if any person be put to extraordinary charg y^e County Courts are empowered to levy paym^t, y^e Subscriptions being signed by ye Gover^{or}, some one of y^e quorum, coll., Lt. Coll. or Maj. & where such Letters come & any of y^e family can write they are required to Endors. ye day & hour.

Act 5. 1692 Ent. An act for Encouraging y^e erecting of a post office in this Country.



Their Maj^{ties} Letteres pattents for 21 years dated ye 17th Feb^r, in y^e 4th year of their reign being granted to tho. Neal, Esq^r, for a post office for his Encouragem^t this act gives.

For post of a Letter not exceeding a sheet & above 50 miles 3^d & for ye like post not exceed 2 sheets 6^d & for every sheet exceeding 2 sheets to advance 3^d & for every pacq^t 12^d pr. oz. & for a Letter not exceed a sheet above 80 miles 4½^d & for one not exceed 2 sheets 9^d & for one not exceed every sheet exceeding 2 to advance 4½ & for Every pacq^t 18^d pr. oz. Merch^{ts} Acc^{ts}, Esh^{rs} Invoyses & bills of Loading to passe at y^e rate of double Letters—& this doth not extend to such as have a mind to Im-
ploy special messengers—All Letters superscribed for y^e Maj^{ties} or Countrys Service to go without Charg. A post house to be Erected in each County. Act to continue in force as long as ye Letters Pattent.

Pr. La. 51 Ent. pub. Levies to be first paid where a sherr. receives tob^o for Levies fees & other debts & does not receive all in kinde, then ye pub. cr. shalbe first paid upon penalty of 1,000^{lb} tobo. to y^e use of y^e pub. if y^e Sherr. Convert y^e tob^o otherwayes.

Pr. La. 55. List of tithables, how to be taken.

A Com^r shalbe apointed to take y^e list of Tithables, y^e county being devided into divers precincts & yt list shalbe under y^e hand of y^e Masters of y^e families & Contain y^e names & numb^r of Tithables, & if it be a false one ye Master to pay Treble du-

ties for every Tithable Concealed—pub. Notice to be given of y^e day y^e Justice will receive y^e list & yt day to be before y^e 10th of June & Whoso does not y^a bring in his list shalbe Judged a  concealer & ye Justice Either failing to give notice or to take y^e list or to give a True list of his own shall pay Tribble  dutiyes & also if he connive at a Conceal^m & he shall in Aug^t Court following deliver his Acco^t to ye Clerk of y^e County Court who shall return an exact list to ye Clerk of Assembly.

Pr. La. 54 Ent. What persons are tithable.

En. All male persons, all negros, male & female, imported, all Indians Serv^{ts}, male or female, how Ever procured being adjudged Cristian Natives & Imported ffree not Tithables till 16.

Act 13 1662 Ent. An act declareing woman Serv^{ts} titha.

En. yt such whose comon imploy^m is working in ye ground shall pay Tithes & y^e Mr. concealing such shalbe fined as for other Concealm^{ts}.

* * * Ent. an act for y^e exacten discovery of conceal'd Tithables.

That Every Mast^r of a family shall give an exact acco^t of all Tithables in ther families by name to y^e magestrate appointed, by y^e 10th of June, & if he conceal any such concealed persons shalbe forfeited to y^e Informer, unless he was purchased after ye 10th of June, but if he have less than a year to serve or be a free-man then y^e master shall forfeit 1,000^{lb} tob°. Women serv^{ts} are exempted, w^{ch} whether Tithable or not is left to the court to Judge.

Act 7 1668 Ent. an act continueing y^e Tax on negro women.

That negro women tho sat free shalbe still liable to payment of Levies.

Act 4 1674 Ent. an act for list of Tithables to be publish^d.

En. y^t y^e Severall lists of Tithables taken shall y^e next court after y^e 10th of June be by y^e clk. of ye court written & set up on y^e court door.

Act 3 1672 Ent. An act concerning Titha. born in y^e Country.

these y^t are appointed to take y^e list shall take an acco^t of all Negro, Mulatto an Indian children & y^e ages of y^m, w^{ch} y^e owner shall make appear upon oath or by evidence & y^e m^r shall register all such children negros or mullattos wthin 12 months after y^e birth wth y^e exact ages, upon default for paying Levy for y^e year

& so yearly untill such Register be made & all negro women born in y^e country shalbe accounted Tithables at 16.

Act 9 1676 Ent. An act repealing y^e act allowing free Tithables to divers persons.

En. y^t no person heretofore Tithable shalbe exempted from Levy except y^e Gover^r & his Serv^{ts}, y^e Single persons of y^e council & all ministers Beneficed & such Impotent persons as y^e county courts shall from time to time exempt.

Act 13 1676. An act for laying of parish Levies.

ffreeholders & housekeepers have Liberty to choose six discreet freeholders & hous-keepers to vote wth y^e vestry in assessing parish Levies but where ye parish fail to choose such men or they do not appear y^e Vestry to proceed w^{thout} y^m. for this Election a day shalbe appointed annually in 7^{br} by y^e eldest Justice Comicon in y^e p^{sh} & if none y^a by y^e Judge of y^e Court.

Act 4 1677 Ent. an act imposeing Fines on Sherrs. conceal- ing Tithables.

The Sherr. or Collect^r of y^e Levy y^t shall receive Tobo. for concealed Tithables.

Act 7 1680 Ent. an act ascertaining y^e time w^a negro children can be titha.

En. y^t all negro children Imported shall wthin 3 months after y^e arrivall be brought to y^e County Court for y^e ages to be Judged & y^e ages to be put upon record & being so such negroes shalbe acc^{td} titha. at 12 years old & a Xtian Serv^t imported shall not be titha. till 14 years.

Act 2 1682 Ent. Act declareing Indian women Serv^{ts} tithables. By this act all Indian women are a like titha. wth negro.

Act 2 1693 Ent. an act for y^e Encouragem^t of y^e manufacture of Linen & Cloath.

En. y^t y^e Justices of every County do annually in 9^{br} or X^{br} meet at y^e court house & y^a & there set 3 sev^{ll} rewards to be levied in y^e County & to be disposed of by y^m as an Encourage^{mt} to such persons as shall produce to y^e Justice at ye next court for laying y^e Levey y^e 3 best pieces of Linen of their own making 15 ells Long & $\frac{3}{4}$ of a yard wide, provided y^e reward exceed not 800^{lb} of tobo. for y^e 1st, for y^e 2^d 600^{lb}, for y^e 3^d 400^{lb}. this act to continue 6 years and no longer.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)